

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S151–S165*

**Measures Introduced:** One bill and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3182, and S. Res. 468. **Page S161**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 1601, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue a rule requiring all new passenger motor vehicles to be equipped with a child safety alert system. (S. Rept. No. 116–204) **Page S161**

**Measures Passed:**

***Emancipation National Historic Trail Study Act:*** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 434, to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the study of the Emancipation National Historic Trail, and the bill was then passed. **Page S163**

***Death of former Senator Jocelyn Burdick:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 468, relative to the death of the Honorable Jocelyn Burdick, former United States Senator for the State of North Dakota. **Page S163**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order with respect to Iran that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995, received during adjournment of the Senate on January 10, 2020; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–41) **Page S160**

**Gaynor Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Peter Gaynor, of Rhode Island, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security. **Pages S151–59**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 76 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. EX. 11), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S157**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, January 14, 2020; and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the post-cloture time expire at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. **Page S163**

**Nominations Confirmed:** On Thursday, January 9, 2020, Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 10), Paul J. Ray, of Tennessee, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

During consideration of this nomination, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 9), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

Cynthia L. Attwood, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2025.

Amanda Wood Laihow, of Maine, to be a Member of Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for the remainder of a term expiring April 27, 2023.

Crosby Kemper III, of Missouri, to be Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services for a term of four years. **Page S165**

**Nominations Received:** On Thursday, January 9, 2020, Senate received the following nominations:

Fernando L. Aenlle-Rocha, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Stanley Blumenfeld, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Grace Karaffa Obermann, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Mark C. Scarsi, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Stephen Sidney Schwartz, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Scott J. Laurer, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims for the term of fifteen years.

J. David Patterson, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

109 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

11 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Marine Corps.

**Pages S163–65**

**Messages from the House:**

**Pages S160–61**

**Measures Referred:**

**Page S161**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages S161–63**

## Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

**Page S163**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—11)

**Page S157**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Jocelyn Burdick, in accordance with S. Res. 468, at 6:48 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S163.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 11 public bills, H.R. 5585–5595; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 791, were introduced.

**Page H207**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H208–09**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3851, to extend funding for Brand USA through fiscal year 2027, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–376, Part 1); and

H. Res. 790, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1230) to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal employment discrimination and retaliation claims, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 76) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to “Borrower Defense Institutional Accountability”; and providing for proceedings during the period from January 17, 2020, through January 24, 2020 (H. Rept. 116–377).

**Page H207**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Johnson (GA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

**Page H183**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

**Pages H183–84**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:08 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m.

**Page H184**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Approving the request of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for a waiver under section 1703E(f) of title 38, United States Code:* H.J. Res. 80, approving the request of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for a waiver under section 1703E(f) of title 38, United States Code;

**Pages H185–86**

*Homeless Assistance Act:* H.R. 4302, amended, to authorize public housing agencies to share certain data regarding homeless individuals and families for the provision of housing and services;

**Pages H186–88**

*8-K Trading Gap Act:* H.R. 4335, amended, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to issue rules that prohibit officers and directors of certain companies from trading securities in anticipation of a current report, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 384 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 14;

**Pages H188–89, H201–02**